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April 11, 1979

Mr. Lloyd B. Mecham  
President  
Utah West Mining & Development, Inc.  
867 North 8th East  
Price, Utah 84501

RE: Proposed Mining Activities on  
Bluebird Lease.  
Emery County, Utah  
Pending

Dear Mr. Mecham:

The Division has received your letter of April 9, 1979, which serves as a commencement of the approval process toward an underground mining operation. As with all proposed mining activities, no mining operation should be commenced until after final approval has been given by the Board of Oil, Gas, and Mining. Please find enclosed forms MR-1, Notice of Intention to Commence Mining Operations; MR-2, Mining and Reclamation Plan; and MR-8, Commitment to Rule M-10 of the Mined Land Reclamation Act. As soon as these forms and a detailed map of the mining operation, as required by Rule M-3(1) of the Mined Land Reclamation Act, are received by the Division, the approval process will be continued.

In reviewing the location of the mine property, from our file on your Delta Mine, the Division has found that the matter of surety for the Delta Mine has not been resolved. K. Michael Thompson, a member of the Division staff, wrote to you on February 19, 1979, asking for clarification as to the intentions of Utah West Mining and Development concerning the confusion over

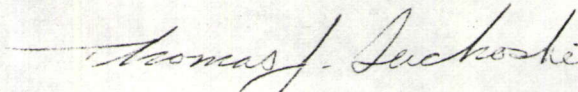


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the surety. The Division awaits your reply on this matter, as in the Division's opinion, no further approvals will be forthcoming on your properties until this matter is settled.

If you have any questions, please contact the Division. We await your reply.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Thomas J. Suchoski". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

THOMAS J. SUCHOSKI  
RECLAMATION HYDROLOGIST

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Enclosure: Forms MR-1, MR-2, and MR-8.